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Applicant(s): Nalam Madhusudhama Rao and Priyamvada Acharya
Serial No. : 10/768,951 Examiner: T. Saidha
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For : STABLE GENE VARIANTS OF LIPASES

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

_____ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been previously established.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 21, 2007 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 21, 2007 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the February 21, 2007 Office Action is due May 21, 2007. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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The following are also enclosed:

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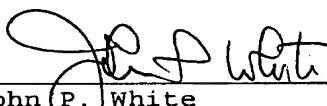
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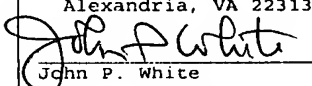
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